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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN CONTEXT MEDIATING COMMON  
CHANNEL SIGNALING MESSAGES BETWEEN NETWORKS  
Serial No. 09/781,922  
Filing Date: February 5, 2001  
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Applicant(s): Arthur Duskow et al.

Invention: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN CONTEXT MEDIATING COMMON CHANNEL SIGNALING MESSAGES BETWEEN NETWORKS

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  
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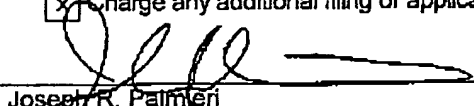
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2006, please amend the above identified application as follows.

The Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 1 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 34 of this paper.

**THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims supersedes all prior listings, and versions, of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) A communication network, comprising:

(A) local communication links,